

**II. REMARKS**

This Preliminary Amendment is submitted to improve the form of the claims as originally filed. Also, an Abstract is added to afford a differing scope of protection for the invention to which the Applicant is entitled.

It is respectfully requested that this Preliminary Amendment be entered in the above-referenced application.

**III. CONCLUSION**

It is respectfully submitted that claims 1-14 are now in condition for allowance.

If there are any formal matters remaining after this Preliminary Amendment, the undersigned would appreciate a telephone conference with the Examiner to attend to these matters.

If any further fees are required in connection with the filing of this Preliminary Amendment, please charge same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

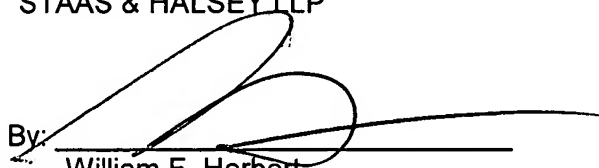
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